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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 22

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

SHANNON ROBINSON

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION BE REQUESTED TO STUDY THE ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE, FUNDING STREAMS, PROGRAM DELIVERY AND DATA COLLECTION METHODS OF ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, New Mexico's adult basic education programs are important for addressing the state's illiteracy problems; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico's adult basic education programs serve almost thirty-seven thousand of our citizens, but the estimated need is in excess of two hundred seventy thousand; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico's adult basic education classes are offered primarily through the state's system of community colleges at two hundred sixty-six sites statewide, but there still remains unequal access to rural populations; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico's adult basic education program is

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1 expected to play an increasing role in the transition of our
2 citizens from welfare and the transition of special needs
3 students into the workplace or post-secondary education,
4 creating additional demands on services; and

5 WHEREAS, a new, more equitable funding formula for
6 distribution has been developed as a result of the adult basic
7 education working group, comprised of institutional fiscal
8 agents, but state dollars may not be available for full
9 implementation; and

10 WHEREAS, the continued success of New Mexico's adult basic
11 education program is linked to program expansion, instructional
12 and program innovations, development of measurable and
13 meaningful outcomes, strong working relationships with other
14 agencies that serve adult basic education clients and increased
15 meaningful linkages with employers;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state department of public
18 education be requested to study the administrative structure,
19 funding streams, program delivery and data collection methods of
20 the adult basic education program with participation of the
21 commission on higher education, community colleges and other
22 administrative sites and other agencies involved in the
23 administration of adult basic education and literacy programs;
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state department of public

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1 education make recommendations about expanded service, serving
2 needs of rural and special populations, increased instructional
3 quality, development of data collection strategies and
4 accountability measures, efficient management and coordination
5 of services and identification of funding support and needs and
6 report to the appropriate interim committee of the legislature
7 by December 1, 1997; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
9 transmitted to the superintendent of public instruction and the
10 commission on higher education.

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7 Mr. President:
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9 Your RULES COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
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13 has had it under consideration and reports same with
14 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
15 EDUCATION COMMITTEE.
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17 Respectfully submitted,
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22 Gloria Howes, Chairman
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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: 0

Excused: Aragon, Gorham

Absent: None

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The roll call vote was 7 For 0 Against

Yes: 7

No: 0

Excused: Duran, Garcia, Gorham

Absent: None

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

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Mr. Speaker:

Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS.**

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

Yes: 9

Excused: Nicely, Trujillo, S.M Williams, W.C. Williams

Absent: None

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